

HOUSE JOINT RESOLUTION 561
By Goins

A RESOLUTION to recognize Darrell L. Douglas, 2000
Valedictorian of Campbell County High School.

WHEREAS, it is fitting that the members of this General Assembly should pause to pay tribute to those persons who, through their natural talents and unflagging commitment to academic excellence, have distinguished themselves in the classroom; and

WHEREAS, Darrell Douglas is one such exceptional student who recently was named valedictorian of the 2000 graduating class at Campbell County High School; and

WHEREAS, through diligent study, steady composure during examinations, and unyielding commitment of time and talent, Douglas has achieved outstanding academic success, and has joined the ranks of the best and brightest students of Tennessee and our country; and

WHEREAS, in his remarkable high school career, Darrell has earned an exemplary 4.0 grade point average; and

WHEREAS, a gifted leader, Darrell has served his school and fellow classmates as President of his class for the past four years and as an FCA officer for two years, in addition to participating in the Student Council as a member and officer, the Tennessee Association of Student Councils (TASC) Executive Board, and the First Volunteer Bank Junior Board of

Directors; he was a TASC East Tennessee Representative, a Boys' State Delegate, and a Boys' Nation nominee; and

WHEREAS, Darrell has also been an active participant in the Beta Club, the Pep Club, and the Drama Club; and

WHEREAS, he has demonstrated outstanding athletic ability on the football team, leading his team to victory as the team captain for one year. His accomplishments on the football field have been duly noted as a Wendy's High School Heisman State Finalist and being named the TSSAA Region 2-5A Academic Player of the Year; and

WHEREAS, an athlete possessing many talents, Darrell has also been an integral member of the Track and Field Team and the Baseball Team; and

WHEREAS, an articulate speaker with outstanding oratory skills, Darrell won the Voice of Democracy Speech Contest, in addition to winning the DAR Good Citizen Award; and

WHEREAS, Darrell's classmates showed their admiration and respect for him when they elected him Campbell County High School; and

WHEREAS, Darrell Douglas's display of intellectual aptitude and ambition surely bodes well for his future success; and

WHEREAS, Darrell's hard work and sacrifice has been rewarded with an appointment to the United States Military Academy at West Point, in addition to receiving the Sam Walton Community Scholarship; and

WHEREAS, Douglas's noteworthy achievement is a tremendous source of pride for his parents, his school, and his community; and

WHEREAS, Darrell Douglas's dedication to excellence is clearly deserving of the respect, admiration, and commendation of this legislative body; now, therefore,

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES OF THE ONE HUNDRED FIRST GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF TENNESSEE, THE SENATE CONCURRING, That we hereby commend and honor 2000 Campbell County High School

Valedictorian, Darrell L. Douglas, on his impressive academic achievement, and extend to him our best wishes for a happy, successful future.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, That an appropriate copy of this resolution be prepared for presentation with this final clause omitted from such copy.